

NEWS FROM OUR EARLY FILES

TEN YEARS AGO FEBRUARY 1, 1979

Safe driver awards were presented to Elba rural mail carriers James Martin - 21 years; Vaughan Taylor - 5; G.O. Ted Prescott - 28; Ed Cooper - 18; and Charles Coon - 13. Prescott also received a 28-year pin.

Bo Bryan celebrated his fifth birthday on Saturday, Jan. 27, with his family at the home of his grandparents, Edlow and Lorene Bryan.

Krysti Owens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Owens, celebrated her 8th birthday Saturday, Jan. 13, with a party at her home. Those attending included Krysti McIlwain, Beverly Bruce, Teri Finner, Amelia Bedsole, Lucinda Byrd, Michelle Kellner, Mandy Hamm, Tiffany Parker, Vickie Berry, Chris Brown, Chris Armstrong, Derrick Sunson, Rick Stettner, Amy Fuller, Jeannie Clark, Mark and Michael Vaughn, Sonya and Jason Smith.

Mrs. Irene Hodge was honored by her children with a birthday celebration on Dec. 17 at the home of her son Byron. All six children were present and members of five generations, from oldest to youngest: Mrs. Lily Weeks, Mrs. Noah Tidwell, Mrs. Irene Hodge, Mrs. Linda Flowers, and little Beverly Flowers, age 2.

TWENTY YEARS AGO JANUARY 30, 1969

Workmen report that almost 50,000 yards of dirt have been hauled into the old pond area behind the Elba Elementary School to make way for a playground. The pond was reportedly 20 feet deep and had fish in it.

Billy Parrish, 4-H'er from Mt. Pleasant School, is shown unloading 1,000 pine seedlings he ordered. County agent Tom Casaday is shown examining a field that was severely stunted due to lack of lime, which is costing Coffee County farmers thousands of dollars each year.

1969 Kinston girls 4-H officers: Pam Kelley, Rita Davis, Gayle Day, Penny Seay, Beth Stanley, Jamie Bailey, Terry Weeks, Sheila Wilks and Sheila Holley.

THIRTY YEARS AGO JANUARY 29, 1959

Winners in the Christmas lighting contest were Mrs. Jack Brunson for best decorated home, and Mrs. K.D. Thomason and Mrs. Lamar Rainier Sr., partners in the L & L Shoppe for the best decorated place

Valentine Pageant To Be Held February 11th

The Tri-County Valentine Sweetheart Pageant will be held Feb. 11 at the Elba High School auditorium, beginning at 6 p.m.

Age divisions and dress are:
Tiny - 0 - 2 - short dress
Tot - 3 - 5 - short dress
Little Miss - 6 - 8 - short dress
Mini Miss - 9 - 11 - short or long dress
Junior Miss - 12 - 14 - long dress

Miss - 15 - 18 - long dress
A winner and two alternates will be chosen per age division (there must be at least five per age group). Winners will receive trophy, crown, banner, and a \$50 savings bond. All contestants will receive a trophy.

Entries will be taken until Feb. 9. Practice will be held Feb. 10 at 6 p.m.

Entry fee is \$15 and must be submitted with entry form. Admission is \$3.00; ages 5 and under free.

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Through the Keyhole, with Mrs. Robert Cannon: A group of ladies traveling to sunny Florida included Mrs. Edgar Vaughan and Mrs. Rowe Bowers, who were joined at DeFuniak Springs by their sister Mrs. John Dorsey. The trio spent several days at the home of another sister, Mrs. Edwin Vaughan. They spent the day with their

brother in St. Petersburg. Also, JoAnne, Ricky and Freddie Rainer drove to Ft. Walton in their lovely new car. They went to see Pat and Van Vanbaricum. Eddie Lee English, son of Edd and Minnie English, passed away following an illness of eight days. He was suffering from an attack of pneumonia. A brother survives in addition to his parents.

FORTY YEARS AGO FEBRUARY 3, 1949

Button Grimes, farmer living west of Elba, lost his pocketbook containing \$420 several months ago. One day this week an Archie boy was plowing in the field and the missing pocketbook with the money was turned up. The bills were stuck together but were distinguishable and were sent to Atlanta

for redemption. It was pointed out that the farmer was "Shirt Button" Grimes and not "Briches Button" Grimes. Sonny Holland bought a dozen eggs at the Taylor Grocery and when his wife broke one of them it contained six yolks. The egg came from McKinnon Poultry Farm in Brantley.

New Brockton News: On Friday

afternoon, Jan. 28, Mrs. Leon Bailey was hostess to the Merrie Needles Club. Following the sewing hour party refreshments were served to: Mrs. L.F. Jones, Mrs. E.C. Fuller, Mrs. John I. Jones, Mrs. Claude Sawyer, Mrs. Lex Nichols, Mrs. M.H. McDowell, Mrs. Earl Sawyer, Mrs. J.A. Harris, Mrs. M.O. Jones, Mrs. E. A. Sawyer and Mrs. Neal Rainey.

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HEADING TO COURT...is Willie Simmons "Billy Boy" Jackson. Jackson was found guilty of the 1987 beating death of an elderly Elba resident. The jury recommended a sentence of life in prison.

Jury recommends life sentence

'Billy Boy' found guilty

A jury needed only 45 minutes of deliberation Friday afternoon before finding an Elba man guilty of capital murder in connection with the July 1987 beating death of an elderly Elba resident.

Willie Simmons "Billy Boy" Jackson, age 38, was found guilty of capital murder in the death of 87-year-old Elmo Roberts and also guilty of four counts of forgery—second degree.

The jury recommended life without parole for Jackson; however, Judge Gary McAllie delayed sentencing until March 14 at 1:30 p.m., following a pre-sentencing investigation and the submission of sentencing recommendations by defense and prosecution attorneys.

District Attorney Joel Folmar had sought the death penalty in the trial and in the sentencing hearing re-submitted evidence presented during the three-day trial, as well as a copy of a document by Dr. Joe W. Dixon, one of three psychiatrists at the Taylor-Hardin Secure Medical Facility who evaluated Jackson and found him competent to stand trial.

Defense attorney Paul Young told of Jackson's childhood and questioned Jackson's aunt, who stated Jackson grew up without parental support and was influenced by the alcohol abuse of elderly family members.

Judge McAllie will announce his sentence at the March 14 hearing.

The 12-woman, 2-man jury began hearing opening arguments in the case within minutes of being sworn in and heard Coffee County District Attorney Joel Folmar state that he would show evidence that the attack occurred on July 3, 1987 and that Jackson killed Roberts by striking the victim in the head with a metal iron and "cruelly and brutally cutting his throat with a pair of scissors" and then taking a broom

handle and forcing it into Roberts' throat.

Folmar also stated that testimony would show that Jackson robbed Roberts of \$55 and took four checks and cashed the checks in Elba for \$20.

Paul Young, one of three attorneys that represented Jackson, began his opening arguments with an emotional speech in which he told the jury "my heart's in my throat...and maybe yours is too because this is a serious matter....The prosecution is asking you to kill this man...and human life is irreplaceable."

"Don't be motivated by blood," Young told the jury. "Don't hearken back to the days of the wolves. We are human beings and must always ask ourselves 'why?' You are not an angry lynch mob. You are being asked to judge the conduct of another human being. Always ask yourself 'why?'"

During testimony Wednesday, Medical Examiner Alfredo Parades stated that Roberts died to death as a result of blunt force and sharp force injuries to the head and neck.

Elba Rescue Squad Captain Sonny Inman testified that he discovered Roberts' body "in a pool of blood" in the apartment in which he lived at approximately 4:30 p.m. on July 5.

Inman also stated that he had seen Jackson walking down the street about two blocks from the apartment earlier that morning when he went to pick up Mrs. Brunneuse Winston, who owned the apartment that adjoins her home.

Mrs. Winston testified that she found Roberts' body when she went into the apartment following a request from one of the victim's children.

Defense attorney Paul Young motioned for a mistrial during Wednesday's trial because two checks allegedly forged by Jackson had not been identified as evidence for the prosecution until a forensics expert testified that Jackson's fingerprints were found on the checks.

Judge Gary McAllie denied the motion and later denied an objection by Young to testimony given by Alabama Bureau of Investigation fingerprint expert Gloria Walters

A tape recorded confession given by Jackson was heard by the jury Thursday and in the confession the accused said "I was broke, disgusted and needed money."

In the pared confession, Jackson admitted causing the death of Roberts on July 5, 1987 by striking the victim in the head with a metal iron, cutting his throat with a pair of blunt-end scissors and forcing a broom handle down the victim's throat.

Coffee County Investigator Bruce DeVane stated Thursday that Jackson was arrested and charged with forgery after a clerk identified Jackson as the man who had passed the checks at a fast food restaurant on July 6.

The clerk stated that Jackson frequented the restaurant and said that on the day in question he appeared nervous and "acted a little weird."

DeVane testified that conversations with Jackson after the forgery arrest and other information prompted the capital murder warrant, which was served on Jackson in the Coffee County jail on July 7, 1987.

County school board names Barnes as new principal at Kinston High School

The Coffee County Board of Education met in special session on Thursday night, February 2, and named Jerry Barnes as the new principal at Kinston High School.

Barnes, a native of Opp, has been with the Coffee County School System for the past nine years as the director at the Area Vocational Center, at New Brockton, and will assume the duties at Kinston as soon as a replacement is named at the vocational center.

Barnes, who resides in the Ino Community, is a graduate of Opp High School and Troy State University and has a Masters Degree in Vocational Education from the University of Alabama and a Masters Degree in Administration from Troy State. He has also completed his A.A. in Administration from Auburn University at Montgomery.

"This is another step for me professionally," stated Barnes, "and a career opportunity that I felt I needed to take. I have enjoyed my years at the vocational center and feel that Kinston will be a good place to be for many years to come. Kinston is a small school with a lot of community and school pride and I am looking forward to becoming a part of the community and the school."

Barnes will replace Laverne Cain, who resigned December 27, 1988, to accept a position with the Troy City Schools.

The board also voted to employ Larry Stephenson as the new head football coach at Zion Chapel High School.

Stephenson will come to Zion Chapel from Eufula High School, where he has been an assistant for the past three years in football and also served as head baseball coach. Stephenson is a graduate of St. James School, in Montgomery, and Livingston University, and also holds Masters Degrees in both mathematics and Physical education (to allow the new coach to conduct spring training).

Stephenson was a four-year starter at Livingston and played one year in the National Football League before getting into high school coaching.

"Since I was a youngster I always wanted to be a football coach and this will be my first shot at head coaching," said Stephenson. "I have been an assistant at both the high school and college level and feel I can be an asset to Zion Chapel both as a coach and an educator. I am looking forward to meeting the students at Zion Chapel and am confident that together we can turn the program back into the kind of program everyone will be proud of."

In other action at Thursday's meeting, the board:

***went into a thirty-minute executive session to discuss a major leak at the Zion Chapel Elementary School;

***approved a request to provide homebound services for a kindergarten student at Zion Chapel;

***was informed that the "Safe Kids" program, offered through the extension service, would be conducted at all elementary schools in the county system;

***and, was reminded that the next regular meeting would be on February 13 at 7:00 at the central office in Elba.

SCOUTS LEARN ABOUT RESCUE SQUAD...Members of the Elba Rescue Squad were present at last week's meeting of the Cub Scouts, in Elba, to explain the workings of the squad to the scouts. Rescue Squad captain Sonny Inman is pictured above narrating what is done at the scene of a traffic accident, while squad members display actual rescue techniques on a CPR mannequin.

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RAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Folks who are mad often do stupid things. We saw it recently during the Miami riots. They were mad with the action of police officers and promptly got back at them by burning many stores and robbing others. Now these were stores in their neighborhoods and often owned by their neighbors who were suffering the same problems as the rioters. Right now the Afghan rebels are doing the same thing, as the Russian troops leave their country after years of trying to solidify the Communist rule in Afghanistan. They are destroying farm equipment, not because they didn't need it or it was in their way, but because it was made by the hated Russians. By wrecking and/or burning those milking machines, tractors and bulldozers they are surely condemning many of their own folks to starvation. Whatever your cause, try to use some common sense.

We assume that by the time you are reading this, the U. S. House of Representatives will have "read the lips" of the American public and voted down the hefty pay raise they had planned. Some years ago the lawmakers devised a clever way to get the raise without the backlash... or so they thought. The idea of letting an independent committee recommend pay raises and for them to go into effect unless the congress voted them down, was great until the public caught on and hit the ceiling. House Speaker Jim Wright (Texas) defended the raise until the bitter end but he finally bowed to overwhelming odds and let the vote (polls showed the outcome lopsided against the raise) be recorded.

There is growing pressure in Alabama for a state-run lottery. In fact it is an almost sure thing that a bill for one will be introduced into the 1989 session of the Alabama legislature, now underway. However even if the lawmakers pass it, the matter would still face the voters of the state, because it would be a constitutional amendment. We assume one will ultimately pass, but not in 1989... there are a bunch of folks strongly opposed to the issue and they will work much harder than those who are simply neutral. Unfortunately some of the opponents are not quite telling the truth. We read some statements made to an anti group recently and by themselves they leave people with incorrect information about other states' lotteries. We have no quarrel with any group for winning a battle fair and square, but stick to the truth or we get a burr under our saddle.

The City of Elba has been told of another grant approval. Plans to do some work at the old city pool with a 50-50 matching grant were made during the past administration. Last week city officials were told the grant for \$10,000 was being approved and official notification would be made in the near future. The idea is to fill in the pool, do some grading, etc. and just make the place a nicer entrance to Pea River fishing and boating activities.

Those of us who need to make a fresh start in life might consider going to northern Minnesota where newcomers are being offered 40 acres of land free... that is if this new citizen will build a home and live on the land for ten years. An Army buddy of long, long ago once tried to get this Southern country boy to go with him to his Minnesota home and spend a winter in "the North Woods" trapping and living off the land. We thought about not liking the cold and snow and declined the offer. There are times when we wish we had gone, for one season anyway, but not had enough to go now... man it get below zero up there, good fishing or no good fishing.

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The Board of Directors of National Security Insurance Company at its meeting on January 21, 1989, declared a quarterly dividend of \$3.25 per share. This represents an annual indicated dividend rate of \$13.00 per share.

The cash dividend is payable on February 28, 1989 to shareholders of record February 13, 1989. With its home office in Elba, Alabama, National Security Insurance Company sells a complete line of life, fire and casualty insurance policies.

A contributor may earmark a donation for a specific town, or specific need, and is received accordingly. Merle Boling is the Elba director.

OBITUARIES

WILSON F. CLARK
Mr. Wilson F. Clark, age 72, of Rt. 1, Jack, died Saturday, Feb. 4, 1989, at Edge Regional Medical Center.
Funeral services were held Feb. 6 at 10 a.m. from Hebron Baptist Church with the Rev. Roy Norman and W.M. Rayburn officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery with Dillard Funeral Home of Troy directing.

Survivors include his wife: Mrs. Vera Clark, Rt. 1, Jack; one daughter: Mrs. Willodeen Senn, Jack; one son: Wallace Clark, Jack; one brother: Raymond Clark, Crestview, Fla.; three grandchildren.



HRDC Center, located on West Simmons Street in Elba

Citizens May Provide Aid To Others Through HRDC

By Faye Holliday

HRDC - Human Resource Development Corporation - people helping people - and helping people help themselves.

This is the main idea behind the organization which is administered through many different programs throughout Coffee County - all designed to come to the aid of residents in need.

Some of the varied programs under the auspices of HRDC include Foster Grandparent, SEATS (county transit system), Child Care (Nurturing), the Commodities, Community Housing Resource Board, Coffee-Geneva County (working through local realtors to draw minorities into real estate); housing counseling, Senior Citizen program, and others, including a growing service of counseling with those who come seeking direction and/or help during a stressful time in their lives.

These programs are funded with federal, state and local monies; and all funds are earmarked for administration of each particular program, however, needs do arise for which there is no specific allocation; thus the need for community involvement through gifts of money, household items, etc.

For instance if a family is burned out, or has heavy medical bills or catastrophic occurrences in the family, or there is no food in the house, special diet food is needed for the elderly who cannot afford it, etc., then HRDC is an avenue of assistance.

Any financial contributions however are administered through the main office of HRDC located in Enterprise, and used wherever there is a need in local areas.

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Merle Boling is the Elba director.

POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department reported an active week with a total of 3 arrests (public intoxication - 2 and disorderly conduct) and 21 traffic citations (speeding - 8, running a stop sign, improper turn - 2, no driver's license - 2, license suspended - 2, revoked license, attempted to elude, driving under the influence - 3 and driving on the wrong side of the road).

Following are daily activity reports:

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1
Activity included a fire on 87N. (5:54 p.m.), a theft at the Rescue Squad building (8:24 p.m.) and a theft at a residence on Highway 166 (11:38 p.m.).

THURSDAY, FEB. 2
Activity included a complaint of a subject stranded on County Road 105 (11:17 a.m.), a possible drunk driver in a blue pickup (5:43 p.m.), a wreck on 84E. (6:45 p.m.) and a prowler at Guyton (10:36 p.m.).

FRIDAY, FEB. 3
Activity included a fight at Razors (10:13 p.m.) and a fight near Gray's Grocery (11:22 p.m.).

SATURDAY, FEB. 4
Activity included a possible reckless driver on 84E. (11:38 a.m.), a disturbance on 84E. (3:38 a.m.), a fire at Jackson Street (10:39 a.m.), a fire at Cedar Lane Drive (12:35 p.m.), a disturbance at Stouffville St. (2:11 p.m.), a fight at Powell Trailer Court (6:39 p.m.) and a disturbance at Cedar Lane Drive (7:31 p.m.).

SUNDAY, FEB. 5
Activity included a wreck on 84W. (12:33 a.m.) and a disturbance at Taylor Mill Road (5:49 p.m.).

MONDAY, FEB. 6
Activity included a wreck at By-pass St. (7:26 a.m.), a vehicle on fire on Brunson Circle (3:42 p.m.), a complaint of bad driving (4:00 p.m.) and a wreck involving a vehicle and a deer on 189S. (11:48 p.m.).

Sen. Richard Shelby To Speak In Enterprise On Thursday, Feb. 16

During the month of February, U.S. Sen. Richard Shelby will begin his third round of countywide public forum since taking office in January, 1987, and will be in Coffee County on Thursday, Feb. 16.

Sen. Shelby will meet with constituents at 5 p.m. at Enterprise

City Hall, in Council Chambers. Members of the senator's staff will be present to assist individuals with case work or any personal problems encountered with the federal government.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

New GTE Unit To Be Named GTE Telephone Operations

GTE's seven domestic telephone companies, recently reorganized operationally into a single, nationwide telephone unit, will be called GTE Telephone Operations, according to an announcement by Kent B. Foster, president, GTE Telephone Operations Group. This change is effective immediately.

The seven companies to be identified as GTE Telephone Operations are: GTE Florida, Inc. and GTE South, Inc. (to be identified as GTE Telephone Operations - South Area); GTE California, Inc., GTE Northwest, Inc., and GTE Hawaiian Tel. (to be identified as GTE Telephone Operations - West Area); GTE North, Inc. (to be identified as GTE Telephone Operations - North Area); and GTE Southwest, Inc. (to be identified as GTE Telephone Operations - Southwest Area).

GTE Telephone Operations - South Area, headquartered in Tampa, Fla., provides telecommunications products and services to business and residential customers in nine southeastern states, including Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia.

Payton Adams, president, GTE Telephone Operations - South Area, said the name changes reflect the company's recent reorganization, its new nationwide sales and service coverage, changes in the business environment and advances in technology.

Training Center To Hold BBQ

The Coffee County Training Center Parents Auxiliary will hold its annual barbecue on Saturday, Feb. 18, at the Coffee County Training Center. Tickets are on sale for \$4.00 each, and may be purchased from parents, clients, CCTC staff and volunteers.

Serving will be 10:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. or until the barbecue is gone. Proceeds will go toward the training center, and each guest was given an apple at registration.

The Center is located off College St. Extension at the Enterprise Airport. There also may be games, arts and crafts - at one time they quilted - dominoes, jigsaw puzzles. Each one has an opportunity to participate in a family-type setting.

Any club or organization - or any individual who would like to help others in need - may do so through HRDC, with gifts of money, non-perishable food, household items, etc.

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Mrs. Ernestine Reddock (seated) is presented an apple birthday cake by her son, Marshall L. Reddock (center) as Kelli Longworth (right) sings "Happy Birthday." Others pictured are (L-R): husband, Marshall Reddock, Joe P. Stewart, Elsie Alford.

Mrs. Reddock Honored With Surprise Birthday Party

Mrs. Ernestine Reddock of Enterprise was honored with a surprise birthday party at the Elba Enterprise on Monday afternoon, Jan. 16.

The occasion, which was attended by more than 175 friends and relatives, was hosted by Mrs. Reddock's son, Marshall L. Reddock. Guests were greeted and registered by Mrs. J.W. Reader, Miss Kelli Longworth, accompanied by Mrs. Anita Longworth, led the group in singing "Happy Birthday" to a surprised Mrs. Reddock as she entered the party room.

Mrs. Haywood Watkins and Mrs. Wallace Miller were in charge of overall arrangements. Party foods were served from tables covered with embroidered lace tablecloths. In keeping with an apple theme, red carnations and apples were used in the floral arrangements throughout the room, and each guest was given an apple at registration.

Mrs. Reddock is the sister of Elba resident Brunace Winston.



Helen McCahan Is Senior Citizen Of The Week

By: Wanda Sasser
The Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street met for their weekly meeting at the HRDC Building on Simmons Street February 2. What a beautiful spring day it turned out to be, and so with a good crowd and Mrs. Karen Wallace played some beautiful music and everyone enjoyed singing along with her playing on the keyboard.

Of course, news was exchanged and lots of plans, especially for the Valentine's party next week. Here's hoping we have a good crowd. Some of the members played dominoes as usual.

Our senior citizen for this week is Helen McCahan. Helen is a retired Coffee County Public Health nurse. She now plays with the people she used to work with. Since her retirement Helen lives in the country on Route 2, New Brockton. Her greatest aspiration this summer is, to be smarter than her riding lawn mower. Helen has been doing a lot of traveling, Alaska, Bahamas, The Caribbean, and Cajun country. She is active in her church, civic programs at Fortucker, where she publishes and writes news from there. Helen is an active member of the Senior Citizens Club where she is treasurer. She loves people and being with them.

Ms. Kaye Dubois spoke about insurance to the Seniors.

As usual we had a delicious lunch for the following: Ruthie Banton, Myrl Burkett, Frank and Lennie McCollough, Bonnie Wesley, Thelma Duggan, Helen McCahan, Minnie Davis, Mattie Lou Goodson, Aileen English, Texie Farris, Frances Shaboo, Marvin and Winslow Matthews, Lex Blackmon, Arthur Blackmon, Karon Wallace, Sarah Smith, Agnes Plant, William Schmidt, Kaye Dushant, Cora McBride, M. Boling and Wanda Sasser.

4-H Report

In 4-H we learned how to sharpen a knife. Mr. Stan gave out sheets on woodworking and cross-stitch. We sang two songs led by Joe and Michael, our song leaders.

He let a few students sharpen an old kitchen knife.

Mr. Stan showed us a knife he had had since sixth grade.

By: Kevin Allen

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MIRIAM FARRIS (left) is shown presenting a letter to Donna Regina Baxley (center) in which Donna was named recipient of an Emma Dameron Scholarship. Donna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cody Baxley of Rt. 1, New Brockton. Mrs. Baxley (Linda) is pictured on right. Donna won one of the two scholarships that are presented to children of Southern Regional Joint Board members of Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union, (ACTWU). Until her death in 1982, Emma Dameron was vice president of ACTWU, being particularly concerned with ways the union could serve the special needs of families. Emma was the first link with the union for Local 925 when they organized in 1966.

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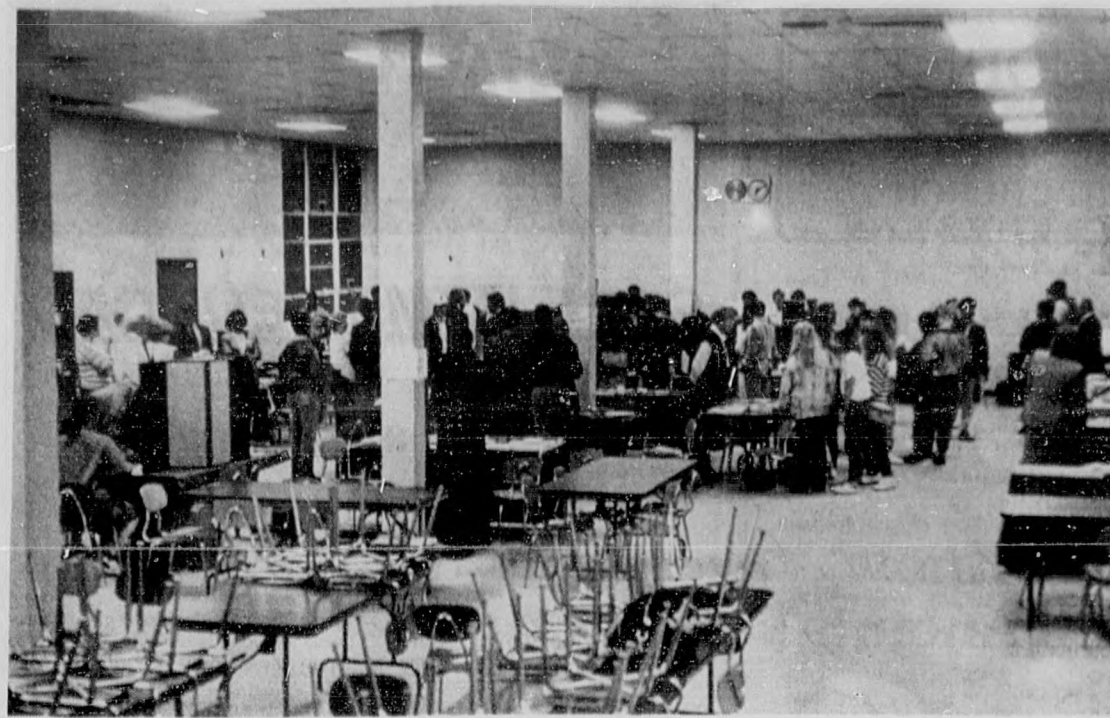
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EHS COLLEGE NIGHT A SUCCESS

Where were you between the hours of 7 and 8:30 p.m. on Jan. 28? If you weren't in the EHS school cafeteria, then you missed Elba High School's 1989 College Night, a great opportunity to get some information that could prove helpful in the future. Many students and parents attended this event. Representatives from 24 colleges and military branches in Alabama were on hand to answer questions about tuition, curriculum, and social activities. All responses received from the representatives in attendance indicate they were pleased with the results and plan to return. We appreciate Mr. Carnley for making all the necessary arrangements to host college night. This continuous hard work keeps the door of opportunity open to Elba students.

By Melissa Prichard

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS FROM THE COUNSELOR'S CORNER

***The Smithsonian Institute is offering five-week internships to 40 students who will graduate from high school this year. Seniors may apply for positions in various departments and offices in the Institution, in areas including archaeology, biology, journalism, photography, history, veterinary science, art, carpentry, library science, and computer science.

Students chosen for the program will receive a living allowance of \$550. In addition to their duties as interns, students will tour sites such as the Organization of American States and the World Bank.

Acceptance is based not so much on academic achievement as on a demonstrated interest in a particular subject area or career; the program has been designed to enable students to pursue their special interests while working with museum professionals.

*Session 1 - June 4 - 8

*Session 2 - July 9 - Aug. 12

See Mr. Carnley for details.

***Auburn University is offering scholarships to talented students interested in chemical engineering. Scholarships are in the amount of \$300 to \$1000 per year and are based on merit.

The application must be received by Feb. 28.

***The Scottish Rite Foundation Scholarship for Excellence

The Scottish Rite Foundation of Alabama, Inc., has established a scholarship program for outstanding students planning to enroll, or those currently enrolled, in the College of Arts and Sciences, who are planning to major in Speech-Language Pathology at the University of Montevallo.

Criteria for selection include academic excellence and evidence of leadership services. Applicants judged eligible by the University Committee will be referred to the Scottish Rite Foundation of Alabama, Inc., for interview and final selection by its board of trustees.

The Elba FFA will be barbecuing Boston Butts on the night of Feb. 11. They will be selling tickets for \$15.00.

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ELBA HIGH SCHOOL TIGER TALES

SENIORS OF THE WEEK

Lee Coleman, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Coleman. He has always attended Elba City Schools. He is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, Sr. Beta Club, Band Council, Marching Tiger Band.

Lee works at the Big Bear. His favorite class is Physics and his favorite teacher is Mrs. McCollough. His hobbies are playing bass for Phase III and reading. He likes EHS.

Lee's most memorable time in his school life was being chosen to attend the Alabama Governor's School. His plans after graduation are to attend the University of Alabama.

Rob Rhoades is the 17-year-old son of James and Myrna Rhoades. He has always attended Elba City Schools. He is on the Elba staff. His favorite class is Computer Science and his favorite teacher is Mrs. McCollough.

Rob's hobbies are band, hunting and fishing. His most memorable time in school was winning the Alabama Electric Cooperative Washington Youth Tour trip. He plans to attend Enterprise State Junior College for two years and then transfer to Auburn.

Whitney Wise is the 17-year-old daughter of Mrs. Shirley Wise and the late James J. Wise Jr. She has always attended Elba City Schools. Whitney is a member of VICA, Jr. Music Club, Senior Girl Scout Troop 300, FFA, Quartet, is Activities editor on the annual staff, and was Miss Elba for 1988.

She works in the Sales Dept. of Dorsey Trailers. Her favorite class is Advanced English, and her favorite teacher is Mrs. Tucker. Her hobbies are singing and swimming. Her most memorable time in school was being in Coach Kennedy's Driver's Ed class. Her plans are to attend the University of Alabama and major in Interior and Set design.

By Chad Tindol

Those who were exempt for grades of 93 or above are as follows:

9th grade English - Pam Langley

8th grade English - Randy Jackson

9th grade English - Donna Holcomb

Home economics - Pamela Franklin

Suey Faison, Michelle McLendon, Sheila Acreman, Angie Rhoden, Sandy Flowers, and Chris Hodge

General math - Wesley Mester

Geometry - Stephanie Goodson, Camille Haynes, Donna Holcomb, Gayle Pyrom, Sharon Rodgers, and Aimee Routzong

Algebra I - LeAnn Hinson, Pam Langley, and LeAnn Hinson

Advanced math - Pam Franklin, Sandra Griffin, Jackie Herbert, Kenneth Marler, Michelle McLendon, and Donna Parker

9th grade math - Stuart Nelson and Angie Norns

Pre-algebra - Jason Koch and Sonya Simmons

7th grade science - Chris Hodge, Michelle Jones, Laura Brown, Beverly Flowers, Denise Marler, Stephanie Diane Nelson, and Gloria Sullivan

Chemistry - Stephanie Goodson, Melissa Johnson, and Gayle Pyrom

Physics - Stacy Faison, Jackie Herbert, Lisa Holcomb, Kenneth Marler, and Michelle McLendon

Physical science - Lashonda Rodgers

Advanced biology - Deena Grant, Camille Haynes, Donna Holcomb, and Sharon Rodgers

Physical science - LeAnn Hinson and Pam Langley

Psychology - Kendall Grist and Michelle Oglesby

Reading - Tina Campbell

7th grade social studies - Tim Baker, Joseph Grimes, Chris Hodge, Chester Keller, Arlene Priggen, Stephanie Brooks, Tina Campbell, Beverly Flowers, Bradley Flowers, Chris Green, Denise Marler, Michael Morgan, Tashawn Neal, Stephanie D. Nelson, Gloria Sullivan, Chris Hodge, Michelle Jones, and Keith Thomas

8th grade social science - Douglas Faulk, LeAnn Hinson, Pam Langley, and Jeremy Law

8th grade civics - Beverly Flowers, Denise Marler, Tashawn Neal, Stephanie D. Nelson, Gloria Sullivan, Tim Baker, Chris Hodge, Michelle Jones, and Keith Thomas

8th grade civics - Jason Koch

Economics - Judy Carter, Pam Franklin, Lisa Holcomb, Jackie Herbert, David Jackson, Kenneth Marler, Michelle McLendon, Donna Parker, Sandy Flowers, and Susan Snodgrass

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Views From... The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Editor

The local chapter of the Mularz clan woke up about 4:30 Saturday morning for a trip to the hospital and by 8:40 that morning had a new member of the family. Waking up early isn't what I consider a real good way to start the day, but in this case it was just fine. Oh yea, it's a girl!

MELANIE REESE MULARZ, 7 LBS. 3 OUNCES, 21 1/2 INCHES LONG!

LATE LOSSES HAUNT TIGERS

The Elba Tigers saw their record dip to 6-10 last week with a pair of narrow losses to Enterprise and Opp and unless the Tigers can get hot quickly they appear to be headed for their third straight losing season. Everyone knew that Elba would field a young team this season and it would take a while for the youngsters to get used to playing against layers two and three years older than themselves, but I don't think anybody thought the Tigers would have a losing record.

The record is a little deceiving, because Elba has played in countless loss games and could have easily posted a couple of more wins. The Tigers dropped a one point decision to Laverne on the road, lost two close games to highly-ranked Brantley, fell to Enterprise and Louisville at the buzzer, lost to Zion Chapel in the closing minute of play and then Friday night lost to Opp when a rally fell seconds short. I know that Elba has won some close ones and everything has a way of balancing out, however, sometimes a win-loss record isn't the best way to judge a team!

Last week the Tigers battled Enterprise on even terms throughout the game and owned a three point lead in the closing minute, only to lose on a shot at the buzzer. If there was a silver lining in the loss it had to be the play of Jackie Stoudemire. Stoudemire, a sophomore, scored a season high 17 points against the 6A Wildcats and was a terror on the boards. Stoudemire has gone unnoticed at times this season, but he is coming on strong now and may be the Tigers' hardest working player!

In Friday night's loss to Opp the Elba shooters couldn't find the range in the early going and then fell seconds short to take the loss. The Tigers were seemingly out of it in the fourth quarter, but sophomore Bennie Daniels erupted for 17 points in the final stanza and the Tigers cut the lead to only one point twice in the final minute, only to fall short. Daniels' play in the fourth quarter was outstanding and he unveiled his ability to hit from behind the three point line as he nailed three of the three-pointers in the closing minutes.

Elba's weakness last week, as all season, was its inability to shoot the ball from outside. Teams are beginning to let the Tigers shoot from outside, knowing their only real shooter is Bennie Daniels, and with no one apparently ready to step in and help Daniels, more and more sagging defenses will appear. Until the Tigers display an ability to shoot, the wins won't come as often as the players and coaches would like!

A GOOD WEEK FOR AREA TEAMS

The season may be winding down, but that doesn't mean the action is slowing down. Last week was perhaps as exciting as any week this season and here's a quick recap:

***New Brockton played only once and lost, but the Gamecocks stayed ahead of 6A Enterprise until the closing minutes and found out they can compete against anybody. New Brockton has struggled at times this season and doesn't have the talent it is used to, but after playing Enterprise as tough as it did, maybe the confidence level will go up as tourney time approaches.

***Zion Chapel came to life last week and posted two big wins. I realize that when a team owns a 5-2 record and has won two games, it's not much to cheer about, but for the Rebels and Coach Tom Walker the wins had to seem like Christmas all over again. I've been saying all season long that the rebels aren't that bad and who knows, maybe they're saving their best for last.

***Kinston played only once, but that one game was enough as the Bulldogs staged one of the greatest comebacks in their rich basketball history to defeat Houston Academy. The Bulldogs were getting blown away in the final stanza and trailed by 12 points with less than two minutes left in the game, but then started hanging away from behind the three-point stripe and sent the game into overtime, where they fell behind again and again rallied to take the win. I'm sure Coach Weeks will never forget the win and welcomed the rest of the week off.

***Brantley had no problems at all in posting two big wins and it looks like the Bulldogs are getting ready for the tournament and the road to state. Brantley has seen just about every kind of rigged up defense known to man this season in efforts to stop high-scoring Wesley Person and has learned what it takes to win no matter what happens. This could be the year of the Dog!

SANDERS ENJOYING OFF SEASON

Former Elba football standout Troy Sanders is chomping at the bits to get to work after sitting out his freshman year at Florida State and reports from Tallahassee are that Sanders is getting close to setting a team record in the weight room. Sanders will attempt this week a team record lift of 640 pounds in the squat and the Seminole strength coach has said Sanders could squat 750 pounds before his playing days at FSU end. I don't know if Troy will earn a starting spot this fall, but I do know that he's excited about spring practice and is looking forward to getting back to work. Good luck Troy, all the Tigers are behind ya!

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SPORTS

Enterprise scores at buzzer to nip Tigers 60-58

The Elba Tigers saw a last minute lead vanish last Tuesday night as the Enterprise Wildcats rallied late to edge the Tigers 60-58, at the Elba gym.

The two cross-county rivals swapped buckets for much of the opening stanza as neither team was able to take control. Elba did manage to get inside the Enterprise defense late in the quarter, however, and when Jackie Stoudemire hit a short jumper at the buzzer the Tigers were on top 15-13.

Enterprise grabbed the momentum in the second stanza and tried to take command of the contest, but Elba sophomore Bennie Daniels responded with 10 points in the stanza and at the half the Wildcats went in with a narrow 34-31 advantage.

A jumper by Jackie Stoudemire early in the third quarter put the Tigers back on top 37-36, but the Wildcats took advantage of Elba turnovers and late in the stanza pulled out to a 42-38 lead.

A dunk by Jeff Kelley and a pair of free-throws by Jackie Stoudemire enabled Elba to catch the Wildcats at 42-42 heading into the final stanza, but Enterprise again staged a rally and this time moved ahead 53-48 with 5:40 left on the clock.

The Tigers ripped off 8 unanswered points midway through the fourth quarter and owned a 56-53 lead late in the game; however, Enterprise staged one final comeback and scored with :03 left to take the hardfought win.

Bennie Daniels poured in 17 fourth quarter points to spark a late Elba surge Friday night, but it was too little, too late, as the Tigers fell 11. Sean Jones scored 18 points for Enterprise, including the game winner, while Jimmy Gray added 10.

EN 13 21 8 18 - 60
EL 15 16 11 16 - 58

Enterprise (60): Purvis 8, Crawford 3, Jones 18, Elliott 6, Thompson 7, Lambert 5, Gray 11, Petty 2.
Elba (58): Kelley 11, Coleman 4, Daniels 18, McKinnon 5, Rowe 2, Stoudemire 17, Jones 1.

Elba B team wins one, loses

one as record goes to 9-6

The Elba Tiger B team split a pair of games last week to up their record for the season to 9-6.

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Elba's Coach Hank Kennedy talks with team during a time-out in recent basketball action. The Tigers lost two games last week to see their season record dip to 6-10 with three regular season games left before the start of Area tournament action in Clayton.

Late rally falls short as Tigers lose to Opp 60-57

Bennie Daniels poured in 17 fourth quarter points to spark a late Elba surge Friday night, but it was too little, too late, as the Tigers fell 11. Sean Jones scored 18 points for Enterprise, including the game winner, while Jimmy Gray added 10.

EN 13 21 8 18 - 60
EL 15 16 11 16 - 58

Enterprise (60): Purvis 8, Crawford 3, Jones 18, Elliott 6, Thompson 7, Lambert 5, Gray 11, Petty 2.
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Troy State to host baseball clinic Feb.18

Troy State University will host a free baseball instructional clinic for recreation league coaches and players (ages 11-18) on Saturday, February 18, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 (noon).

Troy State baseball coach Chase Riddle, his staff, players, junior college coaches and professional scouts will conduct the clinic and there will be no active participation by youngsters.

Rattler races set for March at SAMS

Officials at the South Alabama Motor Speedway have announced that the renewal of the Rattlesnake Rodeo stock car races on March 4-5 will be the biggest and most exciting ever!

The addition of local drivers such as Elba's Harold Spicer, Geneva's Gary Brooks, Enterprise's Johnny Toole and Dothan's Ben Lyon has given the race a strong local flavor, while other top drivers like Ronnie Sanders, of Fayetteville, Georgia and Billy McGinnis, of Marietta, Georgia.

PREP BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Brantley outscored Dozier 76-61

The Brantley Bulldogs upped their record to 17-1 last Tuesday night with a hardfought 76-61 win over arch rival Dozier, at the Bulldog gym.

Brantley wasted little time taking the lead in the battle of Crenshaw County rivals and dominated play inside, but the pesky Tigers refused to quit and behind the three-point shooting of Terry Daniels battled the Bulldogs until the final buzzer.

Aubrey Wiley scored 24 points and grabbed 16 rebounds to lead Brantley, while Ben Foster added 16 points, Jeff Driggers added 15 and Wesley Person scored 12. Terry Daniels scored 37 points and hit 10 three-point shots to lead Dozier, while John Billups added 12.

Rebels post win over Bears 64-60

The Zion Chapel Rebels chalked up their first win of the season against a non-county opponent last Tuesday night when they upset the highly-touted Coffee Springs Golden Bears 64-60, at the Rebel gym.

Steven Cole scored 22 points to lead the Zion Chapel scoring parade, while Jimmy Downing added 17 and Chris Moultry scored 10 points and grabbed 14 rebounds. Taurus Nath scored 18 points for Coffee Springs, while David Hart added 16 and David Maddox scored 12.

Bulldogs clobber Georgiana 82-52

The Brantley Bulldogs cranked up their scoring machine Friday night in Georgiana and rolled to a lopsided 82-52 win over the host Georgiana Panthers.

Ben Foster tossed in a season high 20 points to pace the Bulldogs, while Wesley Person scored 19 points and grabbed 13 rebounds. Chad Carpenter scored 15 points to aid the Bulldog attack, while Aubrey Wiley added 12 points and 12 rebounds for Brantley, which upped its record to 18-1 with the easy win. Jobe Dunklin scored 17 points for the Panthers and Lindsey Gandy added 16.

Gamecocks fall to Enterprise 68-54

The Enterprise Wildcats outscored New Brockton 28-11 in the final stanza Friday night to hand the Gamecocks a 68-54 defeat, in front of a big crowd at the Wildcat gym.

The 6A Wildcats pulled out to a 16-12 lead after one quarter of play and appeared to be in control; however, the Gamecocks began to settle down in the second quarter and behind the inside play of Todd Boland and Malcolm Knox rallied to go in at the half with a 32-26 advantage. New Brockton's lead went to 41-32 midway through the third quarter, but this time it was the Wildcats who staged a rally and caught the Gamecocks at 47-47 with 5:14 left in the game. The Enterprise rally shifted all momentum to the Wildcats and Enterprise outscored New Brockton 21-7 down the stretch to post the 68-54 win.

Todd Boland poured in 23 points to lead New Brockton, while Malcolm Knox added 12 and Robert Kilow scored 10. Jeff Crawford scored 16 points to lead Enterprise, while Jimmy Gray added 14 and Sean Jones scored 13.

Rebels sneak past Arton 70-68

The Zion Chapel Rebels closed out a successful week Friday night by nipping the Arton Purple Cats 70-68, Friday night in Arton.

The Rebels had fallen to the Purple Cats only a week ago at home, but came out fired up Friday night and used their quickness to take the win.

Calvin Newsome scored 25 points to lead the Rebels to their second win of the week, while Steven Cole added 19 as Zion Chapel upped its record to 5-12. Arton was led by Lorenzo Pearson with 24 points and Greg Bell with 16.

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HIGH SCHOOL GAME OF THE WEEK

Kinston rallies to win 86-85

Kinston's "Cardiac Kids" were at it again last Tuesday night as they staged a furious fourth quarter rally to send the game into overtime and then scored 5 quick points in the closing seconds of the extra period to upset the Houston Academy Raiders 86-85, in front of a large crowd at the Bulldog gym.

The game was fast-paced from start to finish and in the opening stanza both teams found the basket without much problem as the Bulldogs moved on top late 17-15. The 1A rivals swapped buckets for the second and third quarters and by the start of the final stanza it appeared as if the Raiders would roll to the win.

Houston Academy's lead was up to 78-66 with 1:58 left in the game and the win appeared in the bag; however, Kinston began a furious comeback and scored 8 unanswered points to cut the lead to 78-74 with :20 left on the clock.

A missed free-throw gave the Bulldogs a breath of hope and Mike Glass hit two free-throws with :14 left to chop the Raiders lead to 78-76.

Kinston wasted little time sending the Raiders back to the foul line and another miss with :10 left put the ball back in the hands of Kinston's Chad Keith, who drove the length of the court and hit a layup at the buzzer to send the game into overtime!

Houston Academy scored the first seven points in overtime to grab an 85-78 lead with :39 left on the clock, but the Bulldogs again caught their breath and came fighting back!

A three-point shot by Chad Keith with :27 left cut the Raiders lead to 85-81 and when Mike Glass nailed a three-pointer with :07 left the Bulldogs were within 85-84. Kinston called a time-out to stop the clock and then stunned the Raiders as Terry Hall intercepted the in-

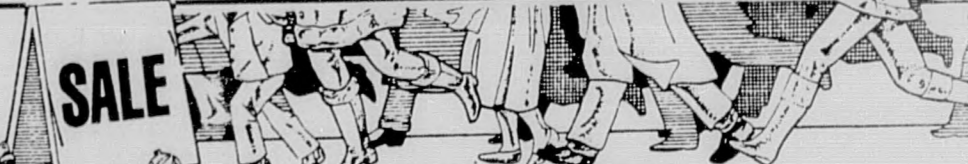
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Elba Study Club Has February Meeting

The Elba Study Club held its February meeting at the Elba Public Library, with hostesses Mrs. Edw. Cooper and Mrs. John I. Jones.

After refreshments, Mrs. Jones presented the program entitled "Alabama Industries" as prepared by Mrs. M.O. Brueckner.

Those attending the meeting were Mrs. Edw. Cooper, Mrs. Edw. Cooper, Mrs. Richard Hobson, Mrs. Durrell Hudson, Mrs. W.E. Kelley, Mrs. John I. Jones, Mrs. Melvin Senn, Mrs. Duke Tatum Sr. and Mrs. W.H. Taylor.

After the program the nominating committee was appointed and a report on the trip to Montgomery in April was made.

Twentieth Century Study Club Meet With Mrs. Young

The Twentieth Century Study Club held its January meeting in the home of Mrs. Mary Young, with Mrs. Betty Brunson and Mrs. Judy Hall serving as co-hostesses.

After the delicious refreshments were served, two new members, Mrs. Nell Harrison and Mrs. Debra Samuel - were welcomed to the club.

Mrs. Peggy Stroud, vice president and program chairman, introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Joan Laird, who gave an interesting and informative program, "Mrs. Laird, from Enterprise, is associated with MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving).

Other members attending were Mrs. Patsy Williams, Mrs. Ella Jean Vaughan, Mrs. Betty Vaughan, Mrs. Ethelene Tucker, Mrs. Elaine Thompson, Mrs. Janaria Thomas, Mrs. Martha Stephens, Mrs. Elena Leiter, Mrs. Jane Hudson, Mrs. Pam Crittenden.

Public Meeting To Be Held At High School

There will be a public meeting at Elba High School on Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. for the purpose of planning and coordinating the clean-up campaign for the city of Elba in connection with the "Alabama Reunion 89".

All citizens are encouraged to attend and participate.

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MR. AND MRS. CONWAY LOWREY celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner party hosted by their family members Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lowrey and Mr. and Mrs. Buich Ochs. The Lowreys were entertained at the New Paradise Pines near Montgomery. Their children presented them with a dozen red roses and a "Happy 50th Anniversary" dinner bell.



CUB SCOUT DEN 2 of Elba Pack 47 visited Scotty's Taxidermy Shop on Jan. 12. Pictured are (L-R): Warren Giles, Matthew Farris, Andy Jones, Clint Cowen, Nathan Prichard, Scotty and Wade Parker. The Scouts were given a tour of the shop to see how the different animals were mounted.

New Hope Seniors Observe First Anniversary

The New Hope Nutrition (Senior Citizens) Center observed its first birthday on Jan. 26. The Center opened a year ago in the renovated New Hope School lunchroom.

The group shared a covered dish Christmas meal and exchanged gifts. Regular activities include dominoes, checkers, and quilting and, says Center director Kathleen Wiloughby, "they really enjoy the fellowship."

The Center serves 30 meals a day, with five home-bound meals

delivered each day. Mrs. Wiloughby is assisted by volunteers, most of whom are enrolled in the Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

Monthly blood pressure checks are available, as well as other services.

Traci Holliday Is Nursing Student Of The Year

Traci Holliday was named Outstanding Nursing Student of the Year for 1988-89. The award was given by the Alabama Association of Nursing Students at their annual convention held in Huntsville Jan. 27 - 29.

Keynote speaker at the convention was Miss Kaye Lani Ratko, Miss America 1988 and a Registered Nurse.

She will graduate in June and plans to work with children who have life-threatening diseases such as cancer and AIDS.

Traci is a senior at Auburn University-Montgomery School of Nursing. She is president of her class and secretary of the local Association of Nursing Students.

Elba To Participate In Alabama Reunion

The City of Elba, under sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce, is preparing for its part in the Alabama Reunion 89.

Main purpose of the reunion is to promote tourism, and the entire year is planned to include festivals of culture, music, heritage, food, traditions, lifestyle and people of the state of Alabama.

Other events ahead for Elba include the Seabass Club's trips on the Pea River, family reunions in April, with suggestions that each family plan a gathering during that month if possible; church month in July; class reunions in the fall; and a repeat of the Christmas Festival in December.

In addition, the Elba City Council has designated March as official cleanup month, and each individual citizen is urged to do whatever is necessary to aid in the city cleanup.

Anyone with ideas or suggestions may call the Chamber office at 897-3125.

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NEW FROM OUR EARLY FILES

TEN YEARS AGO FEBRUARY 8, 1979

***Mrs. Bertie Wilkes of Morrow Village in Elba celebrated her 82nd birthday on Jan. 31, with all but one of her seven daughters present, some grandchildren, great-grandchildren and visitors.

***Winners of the Woodworking Exhibit from Mrs. JoAnn Rainer's 4-H Club at the Elba Middle School are Tommy Holt, Chuck Williams, Dwayne Bradshaw, Mike McCollough, Jeff Johnson and Landy Magwood.

***Miss Sandra Walker, age 14, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Walker of New Brockton, has been selected as a finalist in the eighth annual Miss Alabama National Teenager Pageant.

***Little Amanda White was honored on her first birthday with a dinner at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David White, on Feb. 4.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Foy White, grandparents; Mrs. Dorothy Whitehead, grandmother; Mrs. F.P. White, great-grandmother; Mrs. Wayne White, Cynthia, Alvin and Dan; Mr. and Mrs. James White, Hayes and Randy.

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***New Brockton News, Mr. and Mrs. Tellie Maddox and family of Headland visited relatives in New Brockton last week. Mr. H.D. White of Donaldsonville recently bought the Gulf Service Station on Mr. Randall Bloodworth and Mr. Austin Nixon. Mr. White and his wife will make their home in New Brockton.

***F.M. Farris of Annore, formerly of Coffee County, stopped at the Elba office recently to renew his subscription. He said the Elba office helped him learn to read as older members of the family read it aloud and he determined to read it for himself. He said he was 76 years old March 17.

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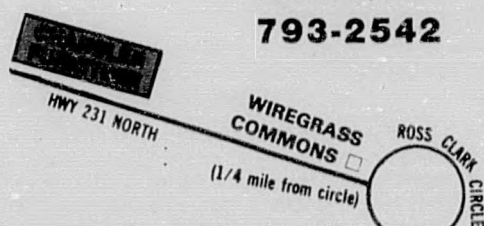
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Large gathering meets with school board concerning location of prom

Elba School Board members walked into a hornet's nest last Tuesday evening when their regular meeting convened and they were met with over 75 eleventh-grade students and parents who were upset over administrative decisions concerning the location of the annual junior-senior prom.

The group had called and got their matter on the official agenda and this was taken up first with Mrs. Wayne White being recognized as the opening speaker. She addressed the board with the problem, and then student Chad Tindol and another parent, Mrs. Sue Bogdan, read prepared statements.

The group was upset over the choice of locations the juniors were given for holding the prom and over what they perceived as a poor attitude of cooperation from the administration and some of the junior sponsors.

The junior class members had voted on where to hold the prom and had been given a choice of the Ft. Rucker Officers' Club or the National Guard Armory. The vote had been close but the Armory had prevailed.

The group continued to ask questions about just why they couldn't use the high school gym, as had been done every year up until last year when the group went to Ft. Rucker.

High school principal Mickey McCollough was on the hot seat during most of the discussion with most of the anger directed at him for what was perceived as unreasonable ground rules for the prom.

McCollough explained that the gym was part of the academic facilities of the school during the day and any efforts to prepare for a prom normally closed it for this use at least two weeks. He read from a set of guidelines for use of the facility and noted it included no hard shoes on the basketball court and no food in the gym area.

The students pointed out that they had been offered the use of a mat to cover the floor and prevent any of these problems. They also questioned why the gym was needed for all P.E. classes when outside basketball courts had been constructed this year for the use of P.E. classes and springtime was normally a time for playing softball.

No answer was ever given for this, however Mrs. Linda Berry, who was present on another matter, noted she had been one of four teaching P.E. at Elba High School for more years than she cared to admit and she could assure the board her students would be occupied elsewhere during whatever time the gym was needed for the prom and this would be no problem with her.

The gym had been refinished two years ago at a high cost was cited as a reason for not

using it for proms. However one student noted that school books are nice and pretty when new and questioned if they should keep them that way or open the books and study.

Several students quoted McCollough as saying "I don't care if you have a prom or not." He later told board members this happened at a time when all were talking and he was trying to get their undivided attention.

One parent asked for permission to talk and explained that he felt the prom issue was just an example of a town trying to get its school back. He was interrupted by clapping from the visitors and continued by saying, "They feel there are reprisals against our children when on being chosen to judge entries in Scholastic Magazine's annual writing awards program."

Superintendent Lamar Foley stated he didn't realize the community had lost its schools.

Board member G. A. Lindsey noted this was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for these young people and felt this should be considered.

After repeated questions from the group, the board members finally convinced them they could use the school gym if the students voted to do so. (A later vote by the students indicated all but 2 voted in favor of the gym.)

Mrs. Jean Helms appeared con-

cerning the student handbook of school policies. Some changes had been recommended and she was asked to prepare a revised rough draft for the board members to review before the next meeting.

The board went into executive session to discuss a personnel problem and following this continued with some more problems.

McCollough was asked about the status of the band trip to Florida. Board member Bob Roberson stated he understood only 85 were signed up to go and wanted to know if this justified the trip. McCollough promised to follow up on this matter.

A resolution was approved commending Mrs. Dixie Dorsey and Mrs. Jean Helms on being selected as applicants for the Teacher's Hall of Fame at Jacksonville State University.

Also one commending Mrs. Dorsey on her 4-H boys receiving the Club of the Month award.

The financial report showed the school received \$18,421.16 as a pro-rata share of the countywide sales tax.

Expenditures for the month totaled \$241,623.21.

County approves \$1 million bond sale

The Coffee County Commission gave a bonding company the "go ahead" on the sale of bonds to finance the construction of a new \$1 million Health Department building in Enterprise at its meeting Monday in Elba and also discussed the possibility of purchasing a \$300,000 building near the courthouse in Enterprise which would be used to house the Sheriff's Department, the offices of the District Attorney and other agencies presently being housed by the commission.

Don Bowden, the architect of the new Health Department building, was at Monday's meeting and told the commission he was preparing to submit plans to the state for the final approval of the building.

Bowden further stated that bids would be let on the construction in May, with actual construction scheduled to start in late June. The building is expected to be completed in February, 1990.

A representative of a Montgomery investment company was also at the meeting and stated that at a meeting in January the commission had passed a resolution authorizing the firm to proceed with the preparations for the sale of the bonds to be used to finance the project.

The commission reported it had since been contacted by other bonding companies which offered "better rates," but after a discussion it was agreed that the commission would do business with the company already handling the bond sale.

Comm. Jim Dubose stated "I am uneasy with the proposal and feel there has been too much haste in spending a lot of taxpayers' money. In the future I hope that the commission won't allow itself to be forced into spending money that may not be necessary."

Comm. Sid Averett, an outspoken advocate of the new building, declared "We've been kicking the needs of the Health Department around for four years and I don't call that being hasty. If the commission has made a mistake it has been in dragging its feet too long and making the residents in the county suffer."

After it was agreed that the commission would sell \$1 million in bonds, the representative of the investment company handling the sale warned the commission that the county may need to find additional funding in four years when the county's share of the sales tax would decrease five percent.

The commission stated that it felt the tax would generate sufficient funds and voted 6-1 (with Robert Stephens voting no) to instruct the representative to proceed with the sale as soon as possible.

Comm. Averett reminded the commission that it had recently visited the Crumpler Furniture building, in Enterprise, and stated "We have a real need for the building!" Averett reported the building could be used by the Sheriff, the

District Attorney and other agencies that are housed in buildings rented or owned by the county.

It was reported that the District Attorney had pledged \$40,000 toward the purchase of the building, while by moving other agencies to the building would save the county \$650 per month in rent.

Commission chairman Billy Eageron stated "Before we buy anything else we need to find a way to pay for it," and Comm. Robert Stephens declared "The two priorities the county should be concerned with are the jail and the Sheriff's office in Enterprise. We are facing a suit about the jail and could be forced to build a new jail and we need to stick with these priorities."

The commission agreed to make a final decision on a possible purchase of the building at its next meeting on February 27.

The raise for the court reporters in the district was again discussed and the approval of the raise was rescinded by the commission until further study.

Comm. Dubose questioned whether the funding of the raises would be funded through the D.A.'s Worthless Check Fund, or come from the county's share of the fund that is placed in the county's general fund.

After contacting District Attorney Joel Folmar it was discovered that the raises would come from the county's share of the fund and take \$4,500 annually from the county's general fund.

After learning of the source of the raises, the commission voted to rescind its approval of the raises until further study.

Comm. Dubose took a stand against the county's policy concerning sewer pipe, but his motion to change the policy died for a lack of a second.

The county has a policy about sewer pipe that states only concrete or metal pipe can be installed on the right-of-way," said Dubose, "but I know of people who are in violation of the policy and think it needs to be changed. If an individual puts in his own pipe and it doesn't affect the flow of water on the right-of-way I don't think it should matter if the person puts in a plastic pipe."

County engineer Mark Pool Dubose by stating "The county also has a policy that it will maintain sewer pipes forever and years down the road it would cost the county a fortune to replace the pipes and repair the problems they have caused. To change the policy and allow citizens to install plastic pipe would place a burden on the county for years to come."

Comm. Dubose then made a motion to amend the county's existing policy to allow citizens to install plastic and used concrete pipe if the size of the pipe meets all regulations and doesn't interfere with the flow of water.

The motion died for a lack of a second; however, Comm. Bill Faulk remarked that "sometimes you have to look for other ways" and suggested that the county not make the individuals who have already installed the plastic pipe responsible for the cost of the pipe.

The county engineer also reported on the success of the auction held on Feb. 4 at the county fairgrounds.

It was reported that a total of \$236,823 in equipment was sold at the auction, with \$217,423 worth of equipment being sold to buyers from outside Coffee County.

The county's share from the sale of its equipment amounted to \$90,714.80, while Enterprise sold \$28,000 in goods, Geneva County sold \$20,000, Covington County \$7,000 and Elba \$2,200.

The engineer requested the commission use the \$90,000 to help cover the cost of the two motor graders recently ordered by the county and recommended the budget of \$34,000 needed be borrowed and later repaid from next year's budget.

The commission commended the engineer on the success of the auction and approved his request.

In other action at Monday's meeting, the commission:

- tabbed bids on treated timber and precast concrete panels until the next meeting;
- received a progress report on a water system grant for the county;

was informed that the Enterprise United Fund had changed its name to the Coffee County United Way and now served the entire county;

heard a request from HRDC to increase its monthly allocation by \$200 to allow the agency to move its office in Enterprise to a new location;

agreed to send out invitations to bid on fuel, herbicide and liquid asphalt;

received comparative data sheets on the counties in the state;

received a copy of an Attorney General's ruling stating it was illegal to work on private driveways as an aid for school buses and mail carriers without having the driveways dedicated as public roads;

adopted the same tax millage as in 1988 (7 mills general fund, 3 1/2 mills road and bridge and 5 mills countywide school);

appointed Janice Bailey to the Crossroads Regional Library Board;

reappointed Roy Grimes to a term on the Goodman Water Authority;

agreed to take bids on the removal of the Lee home at the Feb. 27 meeting;

voted to eliminate parttime help at the Registrars office due to the fact the extra help has already exceeded the budget by over \$9,000;

and, paid bills.

Recreation Board named

The Elba City Council met Thursday evening, four days earlier than regularly scheduled because Mayor Fred Moore was scheduled to be in Washington D.C. during the first part of this week.

Business was routine except for the appointment of a 7-member Recreation Board. Members appointed were Gaynes Waters, Lamar Kelley, Ricky Mulaz, Larry Grant, Mike McKee, Dianne Dawkins and Frank Phillips Jr.

The new Recreation Board will meet Monday at 6:30 p.m. in City Hall at which time the group will elect a chairman and conduct other business as necessary.

Police Chief Freddy Hanchev reported that during the period January 23 through February 8 the police responded to 127 complaints including 5 accidents. There were also forty-six traffic arrests which included 6 DUI arrests.

The animal control officer reported impounding twenty-three dogs during this same period.

Bills totaling \$17,239.67 were approved for payment after Moore itemized the larger charges. These included \$1517 for sewer solvent, \$1023 for repairs to a police car,

\$743 to buy new brushes for the street sweeper and \$6461 for gas and oil.

The financial report shows the city makes monthly appropriations of \$3,244.32 to the schools, library, health department, etc.

Monthly bond and note payments total \$12,726.51. These pay off beginning in November of this year and each year through a \$82,033.32 note in 1994, except for the "old biggie," the sewer improvement loan at \$437,727 which pays off in 2010.

Moore told council members the City received \$1350 for the school bus sold at the county auction and \$775 for the used police car. Moore noted that estimates of the value on the vehicles indicate the city received a good price for both.

Council member Randy Bedsole reported to the council members on a South East Alabama Regional Planning Commission meeting he attended with Mayor Moore.

The city-wide clean-up week is still scheduled for the first weekend in March. Moore has a meeting scheduled for February 23 with interested citizens to plan the event.



COLLISION... this S-10 Chevrolet pickup truck butted heads with the frame house sometime before daylight Sunday morning. The driver, who apparently received only minor injuries, left the scene and somehow got to his parents' home. His father got a neighbor's help Sunday about 7:30 a.m. to take him to the emergency room for treatment. He was treated and released. The accident wasn't reported to police until passersby saw it after daylight Sunday morning.

The vehicle was driven by 19-year-old Patrick Dewberry, according to Elba police, and the house, unoccupied, is located on Claxton Avenue, next to the Army Reserve Center. The vehicle was totaled and the house knocked several feet off its foundation. The vehicle, reportedly borrowed, is owned by Probate Judge Marion Brunson.